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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated December 10, 2001. The three-month shortened statutory period was set to expire on March 10, 2002; accordingly, a petition for a one-month extension of time and a check therefor are being filed herewith, extending the deadline for responding to April 10, 2002. Thus, this response is timely filed.

The following amendment should be entered under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 because the amendments to the claims and remarks place this application in condition for allowance. As such, in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance. In response to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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